

COMMUNITY NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Activities Identify potential funding sources to purchase child safety seats.

Develop a funding proposal
Develop criteria for distribution of child safety seats
Identify a distribution center
Distribute child safety seats
Evaluation 1996 Baseline = 24 percent

Priority #2 Unhealthy Lifestyles

Goal #2 Increase to 30 percent by the year 2000 the proportion of county residents who engage regularly in light to moderate physical activity for at least 30 minutes per day.

Objective Increase access to physical fitness facilities and improve access to information describing the health benefits of exercise.

Activities Promote utilization of the hospital's exercise track and wellness facilities.
Coordinate a community health fair.

Evaluation 1996 Baseline = 26 percent

Priority #3 Domestic Violence

Goal #1 Reduce the incidence of domestic violence cases from the 1996 level of 40 to 25 cases.

Objective Improve access to professional services, including crisis telephone services, shelters and training for police officers and others involved in intervention.

Activities Contact regional domestic violence agencies.
Identify needs and barriers to service expansion in Decatur County.
Develop funding proposals and/or service plans.

EVALUATING RESULTS

The Community Health Council is committed to making an impact on the health problems identified through the assessment process. Evaluation of results will be directly linked to the indicators and measures described. An evaluation will be conducted annually by the community health council. Progress made toward achieving goals and objectives will be reviewed and new targets will be established as necessary. The council may also identify additional health care priorities to be addressed.